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ABSTRACT

A system and method for using specially printed paper and a handheld device to
supplement, or replace, large displays and user interfaces commonly required for efficient
use of computing devices. The paper is encoded with location information and a
message. The message is distributed redundantly across the page, may be arbitrarily
large, and may contain security information. In one embodiment, the device uses a single
sensor to read the encoded message and location information, and to measure the relative
motion of the device. After scanning the specially printed paper, a user may then raise
the device, place it on any convenient flat surface, and continue to slide, exploring areas
outside of the printed copy.